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SUBJECT: BELGIAN-ZAIRIAN RELATIONS

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1. FONOFF AFRICA DIRECTOR LEBRUN TOLD EMBOFF MAY 6 THAT GOB HAD LEARNED QUOTE THROUGH INTERMEDIARIES UNQUOTE THAT ZAIRIAN AUTHORITIES HAD EXPRESSED THEIR DISPLEASURE OVER APPEARANCE OF CHOME BOOK, QUOTE L'ASCENSION DE MOBUTU UNQUOTE, LAST WEEK IN SECOND EDITION. BELGIAN PUBLISHER, COMPLEXE, HAS TAKEN OVER PUBLICATION FROM FRENCH FIRM MASPERO. NEW VERSION INCLUDES PREFACE REVIEWING REACTIONS WHICH GREETED FIRST EDITION.

2. MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS TO MOBUTU MENTIONED IN REFTEL WAS SENT BY TELEGRAM MAY 6 AFTER PROBLEMS CREATED BY WORDING CHANGES SUGGESTED BY BELGIAN EMBASSY KINSHASA AND ABSENCE OF PRIME MINISTER FROM BRUSSELS WERE HASTILY OVERCOME. WE HAVE IMPRESSION FOREIGN MINISTRY RUSHED REVISED TEXT TO KINSHASA TO FORESTALL FURTHER DETERIORATION IN RELATIONS. STRAUSSZ-HUPE

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